

# St. George Middle School



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Dear SGMS Families and Staff,

St. George Middle School is transitioning to allergen free zones in the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade hallways/buildings effective Tuesday, January 2, 2018. Allergy free zones will support students with allergies that are transferred through the air or direct contact. In order to keep a safe environment for all students with known allergies, **no foods will be cooked or consumed in these areas.** Students and staff may continue to bring their own lunches, but will only be able to heat and/or consume the food in the cafeteria.

Allergens include but are not limited to:

Peanuts and all peanut products, milk and all dairy products, egg and all egg products, tree nuts and all products containing tree nuts, oats and all products containing oats, sunflower seeds and all products containing sunflower seeds. Allergens may be airborne.

Events involving food will not be allowed in the allergen free zones. Class parties or events involving food will only occur in the main building cafeteria or gym.

Parents/guardians are asked to reinforce the allergen free zones by ensuring their students only bring food that is properly packaged and secure. Please also refrain from students bringing sunflower seeds.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your support,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "B. Kennedy".

Mr. Kennedy, Principal

Cc:

Dr. Ravenell

Dr. Davis

Mr. Earle

Mr. Connelly

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